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TRUMP WANTS SANCTIONS AGAINST NORTH KOREA

1 President Donald Trump said the U.N. Security Council must be prepared to impose new sanctions on North Korea as concerns mount that it may test a sixth nuclear bomb as early as Tuesday. "The status quo in North Korea is also unacceptable," Trump told a meeting with the 15 U.N. Security Council ambassadors, including China and Russia, at the White House on Monday. "The council must be prepared to

impose additional and stronger sanctions on North Korean nuclear and ballistic missile programs. ... This is a real threat to the world, whether we want to talk about it or not. North Korea is a big world problem and it's a problem that we have to finally solve," he said. "People put blindfolds on for decades and now it's time to solve the problem." REUTERS

LAWYER WILL REPRESENT ANOTHER PASSENGER

2 The lawyer representing Dr. David Dao, who was dragged from a United Airlines plane, said he will also represent a woman whose clash with an American Airlines flight attendant went viral over the weekend. Thomas Demetrio told CNBC that he will represent both passengers whose recent confrontations with airline and airport employees sparked global outrage and prompted a nationwide conversation over U.S. carriers' treatment of passengers. "Her tale is compelling. The video is a microcosm of what's wrong with the airline industry today," Demetrio said in an interview with CNBC. In a video posted on Facebook by a bystander aboard the American Airlines flight, the woman is seen in tears and holding a young child after a male flight attendant had apparently wrested a stroller from her. REUTERS

HOLLANDE URGES FRENCH TO REJECT LE PEN

3 France's outgoing president, Francois Hollande, on Monday urged people to back centrist Emmanuel Macron in a vote to choose his successor next month and reject far-right leader Marine Le Pen, whose place in the run-off represented a "risk" for France. Macron and Le Pen, leader of the National Front (FN), go head-to-head on May 7 after taking the top two places in Sun-

day's first round. Opinion polls indicate that the business-friendly Macron, who has never held elected office, will take at least 61 percent of the vote against Le Pen after two defeated rivals pledged to back him to thwart her eurosceptic, anti-immigrant platform. REUTERS

5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW
"The single most important thing I can do is to help in any way I can prepare the next generation to take up the baton and to take their own crack at changing the world."
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OBAMA BACK IN THE SPOTLIGHT, VOWS TO HELP FUTURE LEADERS

4 Former President Barack Obama on Monday made his first major appearance since leaving office, having chosen Chicago, the city where his political career started, to emerge from a three-month hiatus from the public eye. In a panel discussion at the University of Chicago, where Obama once taught constitutional law, the 44th president told the audience that he had been spending a lot of time thinking about what's next for him. "The single most important thing I can do is to help in any way I can prepare the next generation to take up the baton and to take their own crack at changing the world," he said. GETTY IMAGES

NEW ORLEANS REMOVES OFFENSIVE STATUE

5 New Orleans removed a statue that the mayor said glorified a 19th-century attack on police by white supremacists, the first of four monuments that the city will relocate to send a message of "diversity, inclusion and tolerance." Authorities took down the statue honoring the so-called Battle of Liberty Place, acting without notice and under the cover of darkness for security reasons, and will move it to a museum or other facility, Mayor Mitch Landrieu said. A federal court cleared the way for its removal in March. Erected in 1891, the monument commemorates an 1874 attack on the racially integrated city police and state militia by the white supremacist "Crescent City White League," the mayor's office said. "The statue was put up to honor the killing of police officers by white supremacists," Landrieu said. REUTERS

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In the latest case of victim blaming, a lawyer who was defending a millionaire Memphis, Tennessee, businessman in a high-profile rape trial sparked outrage when he told the jury "women can be especially good at" lying because "they're the weaker sex." Read the full story at **metro.us.**

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Oral cancer prevention starts in the dentist's chair

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HPV-related oral cancer has been making its way further and further into the mainstream in recent years; in fact, experts at the CDC say that about 70 percent of cancers of the oropharynx (the part of the throat that sits at the back of the mouth) may be linked to HPV.

The biggest challenge here is early detection, but oral cancer is especially dangerous in that it often isn't caught until it's already metastasized. In other words, early-stage oral cancer can be easy to miss, especially since many patients don't experience active symptoms at this point.

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HPV, which is the most common sexually transmitted virus in the country, represents a major risk factor when it comes to developing oral cancer. What's more, the CDC estimates that roughly 6.2 million new people

are infected each year in the United States. Tobacco use (whether smoked or chewed) is another major contributing factor. According to the American Society of Clinical Oncology, 85 percent of all head and neck cancers can be traced back to tobacco use.

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Philly's most popular pothead jailed after weed party

Nikki Allen Poe and 21 others were arrested, and some 150 pounds of drugs were seized when police raided a pot party inside a warehouse.

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A young man smoking. ISTOCK (Inset) Poe's mugshot after being arrested over the weekend. PPD

A marijuana activist and comedian who has snubbed his nose at weed laws for years faces a slate of drug charges after allegedly organizing a massive marijuana market-party over the weekend.

Nikki Allen Poe, 37, is charged with possession with intent to deliver, conspiracy, intentional possession of a controlled substance, use and possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of an instrument of crime with the intent of recklessly endangering another person, according to court records. Those charges are misdemeanors. He also faces a felony charge of "causing or risking a catastrophe" for allegedly violating fire codes.

Police said the warehouse where the market-party was held "was a fire and safety hazard due to crowd size, use of butane torches and presence of only one entrance/exit."

Poe, born Rich Tamaccio, was jailed in lieu of $250,000 bail. Court records indicated he remained in custody early Monday.

Witnesses reported nearly 100 police officers raided the warehouse, where guests, including recreational users and patients seeking medical marijuana, paid $50 for entry to shop from vendors selling marijuana, edible cannabis products and other forms of the drug.

> *"This is the most serious charge he's ever faced."*
>
> Chris Goldstein

Police said they confiscated 50 pounds of marijuana, 100 pounds of "THC-infused edibles," $50,000 in cash and four handguns.

A police report said their "investigation of large-scale marijuana sales" ended with the arrests of 19 males and three females. About 175 people were released without charges, police said.

Poe has been arrested multiple times for his involvement in marijuana protests.

"This is the most serious charge he's ever faced," said marijuana activist Chris Goldstein, who was at the party but was not arrested. Goldstein questioned the logic of narcotics officers raiding what he described as "a beer garden for marijuana" just blocks away from Philly's most infamous open-air heroin and prostitution markets in nearby Kensington.

"I don't think the public looks kindly on police spending our time and tax dollars essentially going to marijuana parties undercover," he said. "I think they would rather they were spending their time doing more meaningful things like targeting heroin or drugs that kill, instead of drugs that heal."

Poe had organized the post-4/20 "Philly Smoke Sesh" market at around 7:45 p.m. Saturday in a warehouse on the 4500 block of Worth Street in Frankford.

"We're doing this because marijuana is still illegal," one officer reportedly told Goldstein as officers entered the warehouse.

Mayor says Poe's arrest points to need to legalize weed

The arrest of N.A. Poe caught the attention of Mayor Jim Kenney, who remarked that incident underscored need to legalize marijuana in Pennsylvania.

Kenny suggested that the bust of Poe and 21 others at pot market-party on Saturday was "a little overkill," according to a report in philly.com.

"The real solution to this is legalizing it in the state of Pennsylvania as they did in Colorado," the mayor told the news site.

Philadelphia Mayor Jim Kenney suggests that the state legalize marijuana like Colorado. MICHELLE GUSTAFSON

"We won't have to use police resources in these kinds of activities and actions."

Poe was one of the faces of the marijuana legalization movement that successfully lobbied City Hall to decriminalize possession and public smoking of marijuana in Philadelphia in October 2014. Under the decriminalization statute, possession of up to 30 grams (one ounce) is punishable with a $25 ticket.

Smoking in public is punishable by a $100 ticket.

Activist Chris Goldstein, who attended the market-party, said the raid and Poe's arrest would not affect the movement for marijuana legalization.

"This kind of thing has been happening to the movement since the movement started," he said. "If anything, it just proves our point, that marijuana should be legal. Poe would want nothing but for us to fight even harder as he's facing such serious charges."

Last week, he spoke at a rally in Harrisburg to push for full legalization of marijuana, and last year organized a pop-up pot party at Eakins Oval near the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

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'SUICIDE NOTES'

Notes found by ex-NFL star Hernandez's body turned over to family

Three handwritten notes found by the body of former New England Patriots star Aaron Hernandez following his suicide in a Massachusetts prison cell last week were released to his family on Monday, an official said.

Family and loved ones of Hernandez attended a private funeral that afternoon at his hometown in Bristol, Connecticut.

Some of the notes "could be considered suicide notes," Daniel Bennett, Massachusetts' secretary of public safety, told reporters.

Friends leave the Hernandez funeral. GETTY IMAGES

The notes, found near a Bible, were handed over in full, the district attorney's spokesman said. Officials have not released the notes publicly or provided details on their contents.

Hernandez was found hanged by a bed sheet in prison last Wednesday in what Massachusetts officials have ruled a suicide. Hernandez had been a rising star with a $41 million NFL contract when he was arrested in June 2013 and charged with murdering an acquaintance in an industrial park not far from the Patriots' stadium.

He was serving a sentence of life in prison without possibility of parole after being found guilty of that murder when he hanged himself, according to state officials. Hernandez's death occurred just days after his acquittal of a separate 2012 double murder. REUTERS

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Abdul-Aliy Muhammad ended his HIV strike and began taking antiretroviral medication again Monday after Mazzoni Center CEO Nurit Shein resigned following weeks of protest. PROVIDED

Activist resumes HIV treatment after Mazzoni Center CEO resigns

Nurit Shein resigns from LGBT health center after weeks of protests.

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On Monday, Abdul-Aliy Muhammad started taking his HIV medication again.

He had entered his fourth day of refraining from taking his own antiretroviral medications for HIV in protest of Mazzoni Center CEO Nurit Shein's continued leadership. Then he heard she had resigned.

"I've resumed treatment," said Muhammad, 33, a former HIV prevention counselor and testing coordinator at the center. "I took my dose after I saw the official statement from the board of Mazzoni."

Mazzoni's board released a statement Monday announcing Shein and board president Jimmy Ruiz had both resigned.

"On April 23, the Mazzoni Center board convened, asked for, and accepted Nurit Shein's resignation," the board said in a statement.

The past few weeks have seen a blistering escalation of protests against the Mazzoni Center tied to the handling of sexual abuse allegations against former medical director Robert Winn, who resigned on April 13. Winn's conduct is reportedly under "third party" investigation, the Center said, but Muhammad claims Shein was alerted to the allegations as early as 2009.

Shein had worked for three decades at the Mazzoni Center, a LGBT-focused health center in the Gayborhood that offers HIV and STD testing and other health services.

On April 20, Muhammad confronted Shein at the Center and demanded she resign for not addressing allegations against Winn earlier, as half of the staff walked out in a protest of her leadership.

Then he went on an HIV strike, documenting his protest on Facebook.

"This didn't have to happen," Muhammad said. "There were many points in this struggle where Narit, where Mazzoni as an institution … could have stepped in and alleviated some of the mess and some of the fallout and they didn't."

After Shein resigned, the mayor's office of LGBT affairs released a statement saying they support Mazzoni's staff and patients as they "call for increased transparency and accountability throughout the investigation of serious allegations of misconduct." City Councilwoman Helen Gym thanked "the current and former Mazzoni Center staff who demanded — and now won — accountability from the organization."

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Apple has implemented software that prevents repairs not done at an Apple store, a move that hurts consumer choice, Right to Repair advocates say. FLICKR CREATIVE COMMONS

Consumer advocates battle smartphone manufacturers for 'Right to Repair'

Massachusetts and a handful of other states have bills that would require smartphone manufacturers to make available any information or specific parts needed to repair a device.

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As it now stands, two options exist if your smartphone, tablet or other digital device breaks: pay hundreds of dollars for a new one or pay hundreds of dollars to get the existing one repaired by the manufacturer.

Among its features, Apple's iPhone 7 includes one that prevents a consumer from making their own repairs to the home button or other parts, which in previous iPhone generations, could be fixed at independent repair shops. Independent shops also have limited to no access to replacement parts for other products, including MacBooks. Other device makers also withhold information about how their products work so that users can only have them serviced from the company.

But that kind of effort runs counter to the consumer's best interests, say advocates of so-called "Right to Repair" laws that have been introduced in eight states, including Massachusetts. The legislation would require Apple, Samsung and others to make available any information or specific parts — like a chip that contains the company's software — needed to repair the device. That means instead of only being able to go to Apple, a consumer can bring their product to any qualified technician, who could use the instructions and obtain the parts needed to fix the problem.

Gay Gordon Byrne, executive director of the digital advocacy nonprofit Repair Association, said Apple's insistence that no one else be allowed to fix its devices creates a monopoly and makes "the repairs so expensive that the incentive is to buy a new one, always."

The Massachusetts bill, which has been referred to the committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, is scheduled to be heard in the fall. Similar legislation is being debated in New York, Nebraska, Minnesota, Kansas, Wyoming, Illinois and Tennessee.

Apple did not respond to a request for comment, but has pushed back on the Right to Repair bills. In February, Vice's Motherboard quoted a source that said "an Apple representative, staffer or lobbyist will testify against the bill" at a hearing in Nebraska, arguing that if consumers tried to repair their own phones, it could cause the lithium battery to catch fire.

"We wind up throwing stuff away that we might prefer to fix."
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Major 7.1 quake strikes off Chile's coast, rocks capital

A major earthquake of magnitude 7.1 struck off the west coast of Chile on Monday, rocking the capital Santiago and generating at least two significant aftershocks.

No major damage was immediately apparent, according to an assessment by Chile's emergency services. The Chilean Navy and the Pacific Tsunami Warning Center said the quake was not expected to cause a tsunami.

Chile's state-run Codelco, one of the largest copper mining companies in the world, said its operations were unaffected.

The quake was centered 22 miles west of the coastal city of Valparaiso at a shallow depth of 6.2 miles below the seabed, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

Chilean authorities initially ordered a preventive evacuation of the coastal area near Valparaiso,

some 60 miles west of Santiago, in case of a tsunami, but canceled it shortly afterward.

A spokesman with the local government in Valparaiso said there were no reports of structural damage so far, but cellphone networks were down in some places.

A magnitude 7.1 quake is considered major and is capable of causing widespread and heavy damage, but the effects of this one would have been tempered because it was offshore.

At least two aftershocks of magnitudes 5.0 and 5.4 were recorded in the same spot and could be felt in Santiago.

Chile, located on the so-called "Pacific Ring of Fire," has a long history of deadly quakes, including a 8.8 magnitude quake in 2010 off the south-central coast, which also triggered a tsunami that devastated coastal towns. More than 500 people died.

That was the sixth-largest earthquake ever recorded, according to the USGS. The largest recorded temblor in history was also in Chile, a 9.5-magnitude quake in 1960.

A major 7.6-magnitude earthquake jolted southern Chile on Christmas Day 2016, prompting thousands to evacuate coastal areas, but no fatalities or major damage were reported in the tourism and salmon farming region. REUTERS

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Barack Obama emerged from his post-presidential hibernation this week to urge young people to get involved in politics. "The single most important thing I can do," he said at a student forum in Chicago, "is to help … the next generation of leadership to take up the baton."

Good words, I suppose, but eight years too late.

Because while his party wallowed in the wonder of his administration all that time, celebrating each legislative triumph and gloating over Republican fury, it showed little appetite for welcoming any fresh faces into the party's hall of power. The result? Instead of strong, young Democrats with robust ideas to oppose the Trump agenda, voters are seeing a parade of bitter Old Guarders still seeking retribution for decades of political warfare in the Reagan/Bush/Clinton years.

Consider this: Even after two rides in the time machine of the Oval office, Obama — at 55 — still looks like a kid next to Congressional leaders Nancy Pelosi and Steny Hoyer who are both 77 (truly old enough to be his parents) and Chuck Schumer who is 66. Hillary and Bill Clinton are 69 and 70, which makes them also well qualified for discounted coffee at McDonald's. Sure, a few younger Democrats timidly raise their hands and are reluctantly acknowledged by the party bosses. But not often.

Age isn't everything, of course. Independent Sen. Bernie Sanders captured the enthusiasm of millions of young voters with his energetic defense of Democratic ideals. No one cared that he too is deep into his 70s. Yet once Sanders got the boot, in too many ways party leaders barked like an old man at teenagers playing hacky sack on the lawn: "Hey, you kids, behave yourselves or get out of here!"

And now, in the latest ABC News/Washington Post poll, 67 percent of the respondents say the Democratic party is "out of touch." That's a worse number than either Donald Trump or the Republicans suffered.

All of which suggests Barack Obama may need to do more than encourage young people to step into Democratic politics. Perhaps he will also have to urge older leaders to step aside; something they have shown no inclination to do, no matter how their party suffers.

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Tesla's big Model 3 bet rides on risky assembly line strategy

Tesla Inc. Chief Executive Elon Musk took many risks with the technology in his company's cars on the way to surpassing Ford Motor Co.'s market value. Now Musk is pushing boundaries in the factory that makes them.

Most automakers test a new model's production line by building vehicles with relatively cheap, prototype tools designed to be scrapped once they deliver doors that fit, body panels with the right shape and dashboards that don't have gaps or seams.

Tesla, however, is skipping that preliminary step and ordering permanent, more expensive equipment as it races to launch its Model 3 sedan by a self-imposed volume production deadline of September, Musk told investors last month.

Musk's decision underscores his high-risk tolerance and willingness to forego long-held industry norms that has helped Tesla upend the traditional auto industry. While Tesla is not the first automaker to try to accelerate production on the factory floor, no other rival is putting this much faith in the production strategy succeeding.

Musk expects the Model 3 rollout to help Tesla deliver five times its current annual sales volume, a key target in the automaker's efforts to stop burning cash.

"He's pushing the envelope to see how much time and cost he can take out of the process," said Ron Harbour, a manufacturing consultant at Oliver Wyman.

Investors are already counting on Tesla's factory floor success, with shares soaring 39 percent since January as it makes the leap from niche producer to mass producer in far less time than rivals.

There are caution signs, however. The production equipment designed to produce millions of cars is expensive to fix or replace if it doesn't work, industry experts say. Tesla has encountered quality problems on its existing low-volume cars, and the Model 3 is designed to sell in numbers as high as 500,000 vehicles a year, raising the potential cost of recalls or warranty.

"It's an experiment, certainly," said Consumer Reports' Jake Fisher, who has done extensive testing of Tesla's previous Models S and X. Tesla could possibly fix errors quicker, speeding up the process, "or it could be they have unsuspected problems they'll have a hard time dealing with."

Musk discussed the decision to skip what he referred to as "beta" production testing during a call last month with an invited group of investors.

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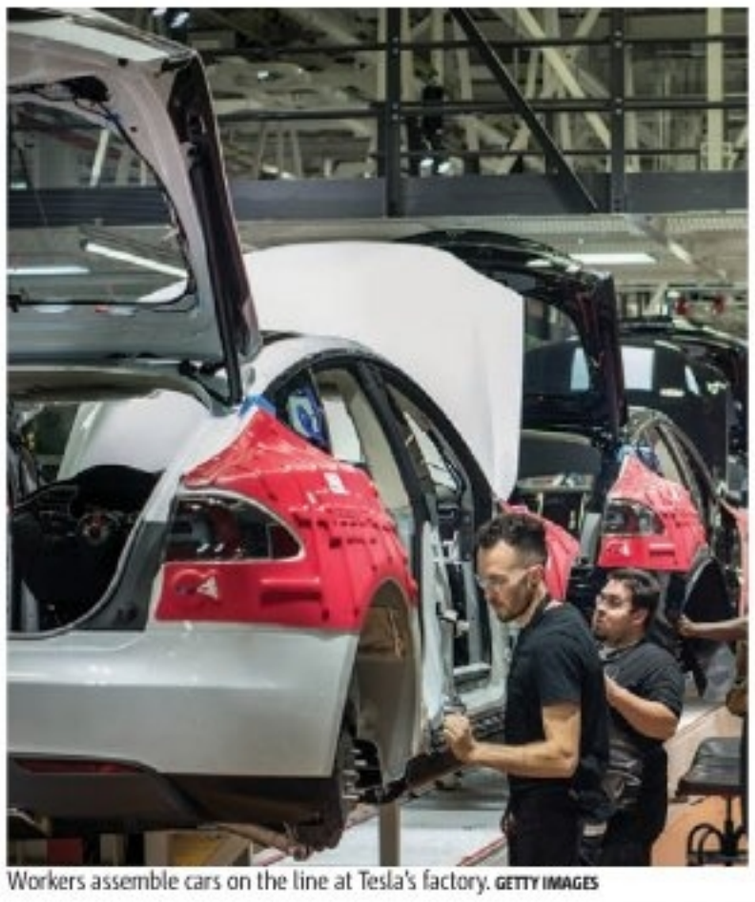

Workers assemble cars on the line at Tesla's factory. GETTY IMAGES

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Former President George H.W. Bush staying in hospital for a few more days

Former U.S. President George H.W. Bush will remain for a few more days in a Houston hospital where he was being treated for pneumonia, the hospital said on Monday.

Houston Medical Center said Bush, 92, "continues to be in good spirits and is resting comfortably."

"Mr. Bush will remain in the hospital for a few more days of observation, and his medical team hopes to discharge him by the end of the week," it said in a written statement.

A spokesman for the former president, Jim McGrath, directed Reuters to the hospital statement.

Bush, who served in the White House from 1989 to 1993 and is the father of former President George W. Bush, was admitted to the hospital on April 14 for a cough that was later diagnosed as a mild case of pneumonia, McGrath has said.

In an earlier bout with pneumonia, Bush spent more than two weeks at Houston Methodist in January, much of it in the intensive care unit. REUTERS

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Trump talks about Mars mission on call with record-breaking astronaut

Astronaut Peggy Whitson broke the 534-day U.S. record for cumulative time in space on Monday and marked the occasion by speaking with President Donald Trump about plans for human trips to Mars.

Whitson, 57, turned a zero-gravity summersault during the video call from the International Space Station, where she serves as station commander. She is midway through a planned 9-1/2-month mission.

By the time Whitson returns to Earth on Sept. 3, she will have racked up a career total 666 days in orbit. Only six Russian men have logged more time.

"What an amazing thing you've done," said Trump, speaking from the Oval Office on his first call with an astronaut serving aboard the $100 billion orbital outpost.

"It's a huge honor to break a record like this," Whitson said with a beaming smile. "It's an honor for me, basically, to be representing all the folks at NASA who make this spaceflight possible and who make me setting this record feasible."

Whitson, a soft-spoken Iowa native, also holds the record for the most time spent space-walking by a woman. In 2008, she became the first woman to command the space station about 250 miles above Earth.

She and newly arrived rookie crewmate Jack Fischer, 43, both spoke with the president, who was joined on the call by his daughter Ivanka Trump and NASA astronaut Kate Rubins.

President Donald Trump speaks along with his daughter Ivanka Trump during a video conference with NASA astronauts. GETTY IMAGES

Trump, who has proposed keeping NASA's annual $19.5 billion budget roughly unchanged next fiscal year, asked about plans for human trips to Mars, tentatively to start in the 2030s.

"Well, we want to try to do that during my first term, or at worst during my second term, so we'll have to speed that up a little bit, OK? " Trump quipped.

"We'll do our best," Whitson said. REUTERS

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Teacher accused of kidnapping to face federal charges in Tenn.

A former Tennessee schoolteacher accused of abducting a 15-year-old girl and taking her on a multistate odyssey that included sexual abuse before the pair were found in California will be returned to face federal kidnapping charges in Nashville.

Tad Cummins, 50, appeared in U.S. District Court in Sacramento, California, on Monday on a charge of transporting Elizabeth Thomas across state lines for sex. She is a student at the high school where he formerly worked.

U.S. Magistrate Judge Kendall Newman ordered Cummins to be kept in federal custody as a flight risk and a danger to others, and returned to Tennessee for trial.

Cummins did not enter a plea during the hearing, at which prosecutors detailed his alleged flight across the country with Thomas. During 38 days on the run, Cummins tried to avoid detection by switching license plates on a 2015 Nissan Rogue he stole from his wife and disabling its GPS system, authorities said.

Tad Cummins
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Prosecutors argued Cummins posed a flight risk, saying he had tested out a run to Mexico on a watercraft he procured. In Oklahoma, he bought KY Jelly, a lubricant used for sex, and before leaving Tennessee he refilled a prescription for Cialis, a drug used to treat erectile dysfunction, showing he intended to have sex with the minor, prosecutors said.

"The alleged crime is heinous," assistant U.S. Attorney Jason Hitt wrote in court documents. Cummins faces 10 years to life in prison if convicted.

But Cummins' attorney, public defender Ben Galloway, told a very different story, saying Thomas went willingly with Cummins. REUTERS

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Amber Heard & Elon Musk are Instagram-official

A familiar face has casually popped up on Amber Heard's Instagram.

That's right: Heard, 32, posted a picture of her casually having dinner with the side of Elon Musk's face. And she made sure to mark him before the picture was snapped: Musk has a faint but clear kiss-shaped lipstick mark on his cheek. Heard captioned it "Cheeky," just in case things were too subtle, which they absolutely are not.

Musk, 45, shared a similar picture around a similar time, so yeah. I guess they are official.

Last week, Heard's father told Grazia magazine that the pair was very serious. "She would love to get married. One of the things they want to do is settle down and have a family. They are making plans for that." Why Heard's father is telling all of her business, I do not know.

While I'm no relationship expert, I'm thinking neither of them needs to be rushing into another short-lived marriage. Heard finalized her divorce from Johnny Depp earlier this year, while Musk divorced from his second wife for a second time late last year.

Also, considering Musk already has six children, I think they're good on the family front. This is starting to feel like a modern-day Von Trapp situation, and not in a good way.

Are Caitlyn and Kris feuding right now?

Caitlyn Jenner just found out that her ex-wife Kris is mad at her.

According to Us Weekly, Caitlyn didn't know about Kris's angry reaction to her new memoir until her "Good Morning America" appearance Monday morning. Kris told her daughters that after reading the book, she's done with Caitlyn. And Caitlyn didn't miss a beat.

During her appearance on the morning show, she told Michael Strahan that she doesn't even watch "Keeping Up With the Kardashians:" "Hey, it's a reality show. It is drama, but I'm just kind of sorry she went down that road." Sure doesn't sound like you're sorry, sis!

"I think the book is extraordinarily honest and it is my perspective. And obviously when you do a book there are different opinions," Caitlyn said. Well, memoirs are supposedly more about facts than opinions, but OK, sure!

A Cobb salad brought Jennifer Lopez & A-Rod together

Jennifer Lopez is opening up about the beginnings of her romance with Alex Rodriguez, and it is basic AF.

The 47-year-old chatted with Ellen Degeneres and called Rodriguez a "great guy" before divulging the details of their boring courtship.

The "Shades of Blue" star was just having a Cobb salad and some tortilla soup when she spotted the former Yankees shortstop. "For some reason, I just felt like tapping him on the shoulder." That small invasion of privacy led to the two scheduling a dinner date soon after, and the rest is history.

The pair have been dating for three months, and recently went Instagram-official. Rodriguez, 41, has described the time they are having as "good." He's a poet, basically.

So there you have it. According to both Lopez and Rodriguez, their relationship fluctuates between "good" and "nice." Sounds boring, but if you guys are happy, I'm happy for you!

Serena Williams pens an open letter to her unborn child, is chill

It's official! Serena Williams and Alexis Ohanian are expecting a dang baby. First, she posted (and then deleted) a Snapchat revealing she was at 20 weeks. Now, she's written a message that people are calling "heartfelt" and "emotional," and it's nice, I guess.

"My dearest baby," she wrote. "You gave me the strength I didn't know I had. You taught me the true meaning of serenity and peace. I can't wait to meet you. I can't wait for you to join the players box next year. But most importantly, I am so happy to share being number one in the world with you … once again today. On @alexisohanian bday. From the world's oldest number one to the world's youngest number one. — Your Mommy." Aw.

Her fiancé, Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian, shared a lil' something on Instagram too, but it was legitimately just those creepy Reddit cartoon versions of Williams, 35, and Ohanian, 34. I don't want to talk about it.

The pair announced their engagement last December. They will welcome their very talented, very rich, very beautiful baby that I'm already jealous of later this year.

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What it's like to be set on fire

Sharlto Copley says "Free Fire" is the most dangerous film he's ever made.

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Sharlto Copley (front and center-ish) plays one of a dozen or so low-lifes shooting at each other in "Free Fire," now in theaters. KERRY BROWN, A24

When Sharlto Copley tells you his new movie was the most dangerous film he's made so far, you listen. The South African actor is no stranger to explosions and crazy stunts. He made his name with "District 9," then with "The A-Team," "Elysium," "Chappie" and "Hardcore Henry" — all violent action movies where Copley was game to do whatever wild nonsense came his way. But "Free Fire" — a darkly comic action movie from England with an all-star cast — takes the cake.

For one thing, Copley was set on fire. He plays Vernon, a moneyed arms dealer who arrives in an abandoned Brighton warehouse for a big score. One thing leads to another, and suddenly the dozen or so participants — including Brie Larson, Armie Hammer and Cillian Murphy — are all shooting at each other. Without giving too much away, at one point Vernon goes up in flames.

"Apparently getting set on fire is what insurance companies rate as the most dangerous thing I've ever attempted," Copley tells us, with a mix of pride and horror. It was one of the last things they filmed. "They were like, 'Finish the movie first, then he can burn himself.'"

Luckily the stunt team were all over it. They fitted him with a flame retardant suit, as well as a gel that actually made him shiver until the heat hit him. They told him if he suddenly felt too hot, he should just lie flat on his stomach and they'd jump on him.

"It all went absolutely perfectly," Sharlto says. "But you are on fire."

But being set on fire wasn't what made "Free Fire" the most dangerous movie Sharlto Copley has ever made. It was the squibs.

On movies, squibs are the tiny firecrackers that, when activated by the crew, create the explosions you love on screen. On "Free Fire," they were mostly all over the set, blowing up parts of the dilapidated, dirty warehouse in which our legion of anti-heroes find themselves trapped in a multiway Mexican standoff. That required expert choreography, especially since some shots involved 16 or 17 or even 20 squibs blowing up at a time.

"If they press the button at the wrong time, it blows up in your face," Copley recalls. "At the distances we were at from these squibs, there was nothing to protect yourself and your eyes. It's your eyes that are really at monumental risk. There was so much gunfire that it made things bizarrely serious when the camera was rolling. But when it wasn't it was fun and games and silly buggers."

Lookin' good

One perk of making "Free Fire": the facial hair. It's set in the '70s, meaning most of the male actors had to grow beards and mustaches, as though they were competing with each other. (Copley thinks Armie Hammer won: After all, he had to use beard oil.) Copley has a nice, thick, bushy 'stache. And he was a little freaked out that his wife, the model and actress Tanit Phoenix, loved it.

"This is her favorite character I've done. I was like, 'Really, baby?'" Sharlto reveals. "You used to look at that stuff as cheesy. Turns out a little bit of swagger, some chains around the neck and some sexist attitudes actually aren't as much of a woman-repellent as I would have thought."

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We chat with Center City Jazz Festival's founder and artistic director, Ernest Stuart, on the importance of jazz and the advice he'd give to festival first-timers.

How is the festival different this year?
This year is probably the most Philly-centric festival we've ever had. It feels great that after five festivals, I can still create a lineup full of incredibly talented Philly musicians I've never booked before. Just goes to show, Philadelphia is brimming with extremely talented musicians.

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Mary J. Blige has sold 50 million albums worldwide. GETTY IMAGES

2017 is really zipping on by. On Friday, the line-up for the 25th annual Wawa Welcome America Concert was announced and Mary J. Blige is the headliner.

Dubbed the "Queen of Hip-Hop Soul," Blige has nine Grammy Awards and eight multi-platinum albums, selling 50 million albums worldwide. In the female R&B genre, only Mariah Carey and Whitney Houston have sold more albums.

Treasured Philly music group Boyz II Men will also be honored. Known for smooth, R&B ballads and flawless vocal harmonies, their hits include "End of the Road" and "On Bended Knee" among many others. They've sold 64 million albums in their career so far.

Other performances include The Philly Pops Big Band with Mandy Gonzalez of "Hamilton" and Billboard Top 10 Jazz Artist Tony DeSare.

The Wawa Welcome America Concert is a much-loved Philadelphia tradition on July Fourth. This year's theme for the 25th anniversary is "Everyone is a History Maker."

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New moms on the struggles of breastfeeding

Hannah Horvath loses her mind trying to get her baby to latch. Marnie isn't much help as her smothering sidekick. HBO

In the "Girls" series finale, Hannah's baby has trouble latching. We hear from real women about their own nursing ordeals.

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Hannah Horvath isn't the first mom to struggle with breastfeeding.

In the "Girls" series finale, "Latching," we see Lena Dunham's character lose her mind because her newborn baby, Grover, won't latch onto her nipple and take her milk. She feels like a bad mother whose baby hates her, and acts butt hurt (boob hurt?) as though he were just another guy rejecting her. Having Marnie read aloud passages from literature on the subject in a holier-than-thou tone and offer hands-on help only further humiliates her. And giving Grover a bottle of formula is viewed as a last-case scenario — giving up.

Kudos to "Girls" for depicting this incredibly trying aspect of motherhood. We're often told that breast milk is best for the baby's health, and that the act fosters a fundamental mother-baby bond that will serve the child for years to come, but no one prepares women for the basic logistical difficulties of the act, not to mention its physical and emotional toll.

We have a lot of work to do to better support new mothers. A first step is to listen. Here are five women on their struggles with breastfeeding — from not producing enough milk, to getting shade for nursing in public — and what they wish they had known before to prepare.

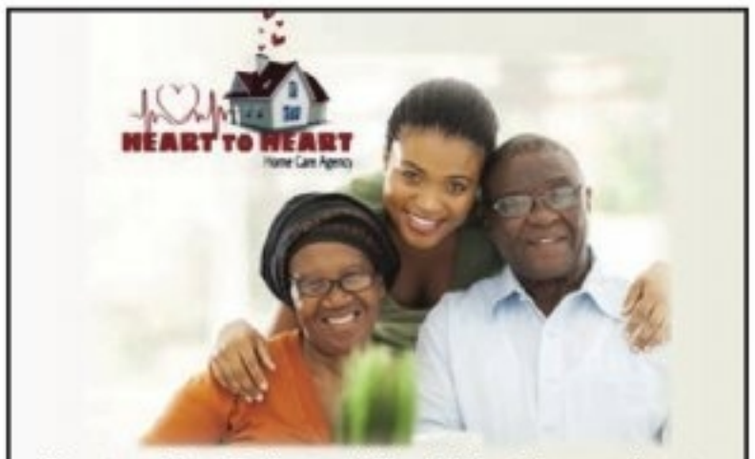
When you give birth to twins but can't make enough milk for both mouths

"I physically couldn't breastfeed. I produced some milk but not nearly enough for two babies. It was so disappointing because before you have a child, breastfeeding vs. formula is presented as this sort of choice of equal options, but the reality is that one is 500,000 times more difficult than the other and there's not even a guarantee you can do it.

"We had to supplement with formula from day one because they were too small and I wasn't making enough milk. I stopped breastfeeding at all around four months."

When your church shames you for breastfeeding in the pews

"My second issue [after latching] was regarding working full time and breastfeeding. From the day care trying to push me to bring in formula, to my employer being negative about my leaving every three hours to pump, to the church having a negative reac-



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When the baby latches but that's not the end of your troubles

"My baby latched from day one, but I would have to try a million times until he got the breast right. He has to have his mouth open and you have to bring him right over to your breast. I called the lactation nurse many times. Without her help I don't think I would have made it. Funny thing, from watching movies, I thought nursing was so easy. Do you remember 'The Blue Lagoon'? The baby just goes to Brooke Shield's nipple and starts sucking. Well, it is not like that at all."

Hannah and Grover on "Girls" HBO

When pumping at work is a logistical nightmare

"When I went back to work, that's when the trouble started. For me, I was teaching at a university, so I would have back-to-back classes and I would have a break every three hours. I'd run to this room, which was like a converted dorm room designated for this, it was so disgusting in there. I would pump and then run back to my next class to teach, hoping there was nothing leaking. It's the most infuriating process."

When you can't breastfeed because you have inverted nipples and your baby is tongue-tied

"I read all the stuff on breastfeeding, but [my baby] wouldn't latch. After a few days in the hospital, the pediatrician said, 'Oh, he has a tongue-tie.' Sometimes babies are born with the skin under their tongue more forward so their mouth can't really open. Plus, I have inverted nipples. I pumped exclusively for five months. Eight times a day. I was like a Medela cow milking myself.

"The whole point of breastfeeding is that you're supposed to have this amazing connection with your child. [Instead] I pumped, and my husband would feed him the bottle. I felt like my husband was his f—ing mother! And because you're kind of crazy, you're thinking, 'Oh my child doesn't like me, and I'm doing all the work pumping eight times a day, my nipples are chafed, I can't leave my house for long because I'm attached to this machine, so, it was just this depressing cycle. It wasn't the experience I wanted."

Frito-Lay recalls jalapeno flavored chips due to salmonella concern

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Heads up, lovers of spicy chips: Frito-Lay has recalled two jalapeno flavored varieties due to salmonella concerns.

The Jalapeno Flavored Lay's Kettle Cooked Potato Chips and the Jalapeno Flavored Miss Vickie's Kettle Cooked Potato Chips are being taken off the shelves.

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Here's the good news: It will be hard for Howie Roseman to screw up the first round of the NFL draft Thursday night.

I know the ghosts of Danny Watkins and Marcus Smith loom large in your memories, Eagles fans. And I'm aware of the cautionary tales of JaMarcus Russell, Vernon Gholston and every other bust who ever stood at the podium shaking Roger Goodell's hand.

But this one is simple. The 2017 draft is loaded, particularly at three spots where the Eagles need the most help: cornerback, running back and edge rusher. All Roseman and personnel chief Joe Douglas have to do is sit on their hands until Pick 14 and decide among several great options.

Want to help the secondary? Either Marlon Humphrey (Alabama) or Gareon Conley (Ohio State) should be standing by the Art Museum, anxiously waiting for the team hosting the draft to make them a fan favorite.

Of course, nothing would delight the green-clad throng Thursday more than grabbing a game-changing running back — and to hell with that notion that the ground game is obsolete. The Eagles' offseason priority has been adding weapons to Carson Wentz's arsenal. Both Dalvin Cook (FSU) and Christian McCaffrey (Stanford) could be nuclear-grade.

And if Tennessee DE Derek Barnett or Alabama LB Reuben Foster is still available at Pick 14? The Eagles would be wise to grab either.

The Eagles are expected to have a lot of options when they pick at No. 14. GETTY IMAGES

The best scenario is for at least two teams picking ahead of the Eagles to overreach for a QB, likely Mitchell Trubisky and Deshaun Watson — neither of whom probably deserves to go in the top 13. That would succeed in pushing prime beef down to the Birds.

Of course, there are no guarantees that: a) Roseman and Douglas will refrain from outsmarting themselves; and b) even the no-brainer pick pans out in the end. We've seen enough draft darlings wind up tripping over the yard markers.

But consider this: Over the past decade, the 14th overall pick has included Robert Quinn, Earl Thomas, Malcolm Jenkins and Darrelle Revis. Alas, the last bust taken at that spot is probably Broderick Bunkley, selected by the Eagles in 2006.

So, it'll be tough for Roseman to screw this up. In fact, I see only one way.

Picture this: We're all waiting nervously Thursday night, a quarter-million fans crammed onto the Ben Franklin Parkway. The mood gets edgier as the picks click on ... 12 ... 13 ...

Now, Goodell strides onstage to yet another cacophony of jeers. The commissioner taps the microphone. The Eagles pep band stifles its banjos.

The crowd goes silent.

Goodell begins to speak. "We have a deal," he says. "The Eagles have traded down ..."

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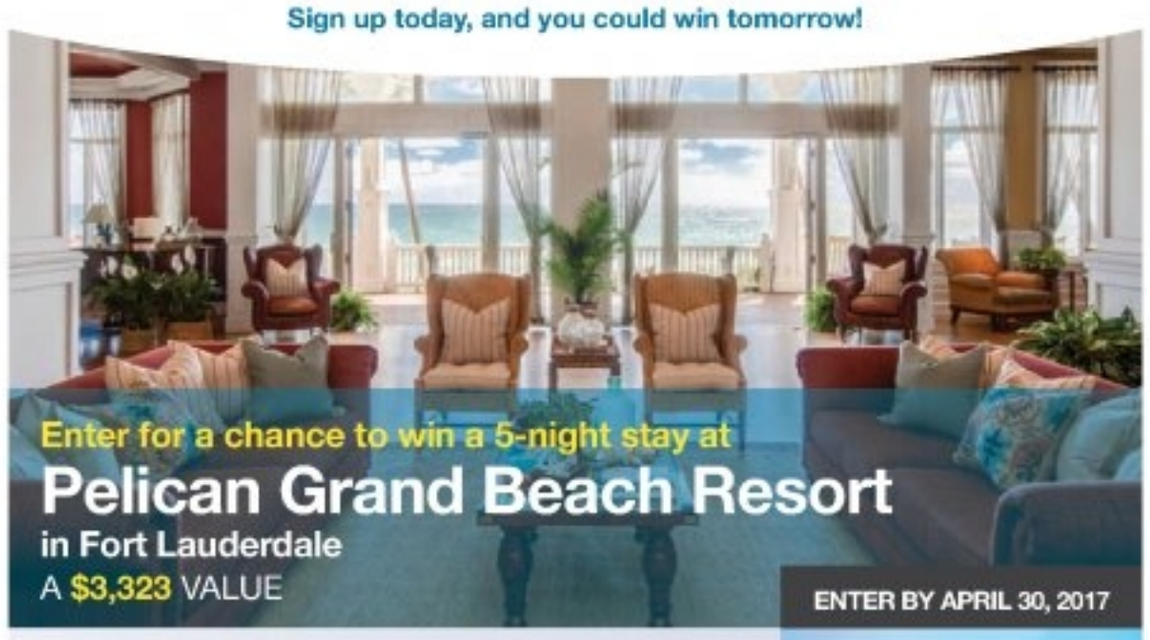

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Phillies boast new look but also closing woes at .500 mark

The Phillies' problems, for once, don't include offense. Instead it's their pitching that is dragging them down.

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A year ago, the 2016 Phillies were 9-9 after 18 games in the most unfathomable way — with a minus-23 run differential.

In 2017, the 18-game-old Phillies are also 9-9, but this time they are plus-seven in runs scored.

As they reflect on their still active four-game win streak and prepare to host the Marlins for the first time in a series this weekend, one irrefutable issue has dogged a team that could be even closer to the first-place Nationals in the NL East: pitching woes.

Though starters Jerad Eickhoff and Jeremy Hellickson have been revelations early to be clear, injuries to Clay Buchholz and now Aaron Nola (he was added to the 10-day disabled list Monday) haven't helped the squad with the sixth worst team ERA in all of baseball. They are also the squad that has allowed the third most home runs.

Many of these opposing long balls have come late in games against the Phillies ailing bullpen, a unit that has seen three different pitchers earn a save and has blown four saves early in the season.

Jeanmar Gomez started in the role he relished in early in 2016 but his late season struggles continued into the new year, as Joaquin Benoit and Hector Neris have shared game-ending duties of late. They've had a bit more success than Gomez — but not much.

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JEREMY HELLICKSON'S RECORD SO FAR IN FOUR STARTS, WITH A 1.88 ERA.

"I don't want to name it anything," Phillies manager Pete Mackanin said a few days ago, commenting on a potential closer-by-committee decision. "You hear it a lot these days, about how pitchers are being used differently with different teams. I just look at it like this: It's nice to have two guys I trust in the eighth and the ninth. I trust both of those guys. I just seized the opportunity to try it tonight."

Both veteran bullpen arms have made important contributions over the last few weeks, as they combine for seven holds and have two of the lowest ERAs on the team.

When things kick off Tuesday against the Marlins, Vince Velasquez will open the series against Wei-Yin Chen in a 7:05 p.m. start. In Game 2, Nola's spot will likely be filled by red-hot prospect Nick Pivetta, who is expected to take Nola's start opposite Edison Volquez. In a Thursday matinee at 1:05 Hellickson will close out the three-game set agains Adam Conley.

A win in the series will have the Phils in good shape prior to heading to Los Angeles and Chicago for a seven-game road trip starting this weekend.

Will Hector Neris grow into the closers role or will the team close by committee? GETTY IMAGES

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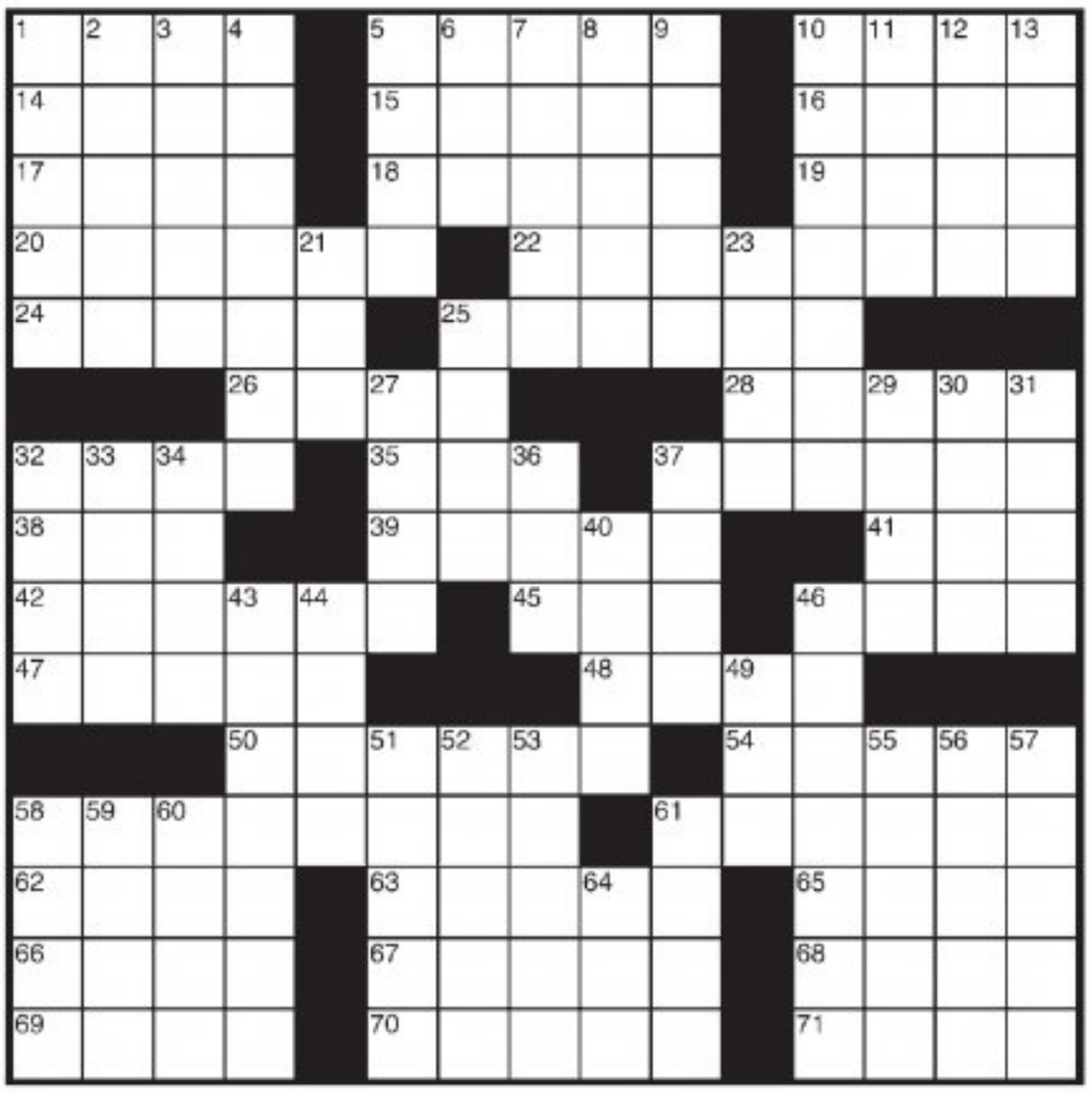

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Aries Don't take on too much or get involved in something that has the potential to upset your relationships. Moderation will be necessary to avoid conflicts.

Taurus Apply what you know to something that you find interesting, enjoyable and motivating. It will make your chores easier if you have something to look forward to.

Gemini Get together with people who have something to offer. Share your thoughts. Don't overstep your bounds. Stay focused and make the most of what you've got.

Cancer Your emotions will take control if you let a partner, domestic issue or child get the upper hand. Don't feel obliged or let anyone guilt you into making a snap decision.

Leo Take a close look at your professional position and potential advancement. Network at industry events and think about the newest trends.

Virgo Attending a seminar or meeting that can provide you with information that is pertinent to something you want to pursue will help you avoid making a mistake.

Libra Partnerships will go through an adjustment. Be ready with suggestions to avoid being railroaded into something you don't like. Ask a friend to help resolve a dispute.

Scorpio An intense push to get things done will pay off, but will also challenge you physically. Take time to rejuvenate to avoid health issues that interfere with your progress.

Sagittarius Personal problems should be dealt with quickly. The more you ignore an uncomfortable situation, the worse it will become. Do what needs to be done.

Capricorn Too much of anything will work against you. Keep your distance from people who are unpredictable, inconsistent or emotionally unstable.

Aquarius A financial proposal should be considered carefully. Taking baby steps to reach your goal will work out better than stretching your budget.

Pisces You'll be faced with decisions that can challenge you physically or wreak havoc on your reputation. When in doubt, slow down and weigh the pros and cons. EUGENIA LAST

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